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Title: SILICON CARBIDE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed 12 March 2004, please amend the application as

follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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REMARKS

The applicants note with appreciation the acknowledgement of the claim for priority

under section 119 and the notice that all of the certified copies of the priority documents have

been received.

The applicants acknowledge and appreciate receiving a copy of form PTO-1449, on

which the examiner has initialed both listed items.

Claims 1-10 are pending. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration and

allowance of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1-10 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The

claims have been clarified in the amendments above and are now more readable. In addition,

copies of three technical articles are enclosed to show that the applicants are using standard

terminology and nomenclature to designate the crystallographic planes. Therefore, the

applicants respectfully request examination of the claims on the merits.

If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the

undersigned by telephone.

Please charge any unforeseen fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,

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